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PORT NOTICE

Mooring Gangs

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General Manager, Operations



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1. PREFACE

This Port Notice is issued pursuant to Section 57 of the Ports Management Act 2015 (NT).

2. SCOPE

This notice applies to all entities providing mooring gangs for ship arrivals and departures at Darwin Port facilities.

3. DIRECTION

Mooring gangs must comprise of the number of personnel outlined in Appendix 1. The mooring gang numbers are the minimum number considered necessary for safe mooring operations. Additional personnel may be utilised at the mooring gang provider's discretion.

Mooring gangs for Rig Tender departures are reduced on the basis that these vessels only handle moorings at the bow or stern alternatively and the two mooring gang members can therefore work together, providing a buddy system.

Mooring gang providers shall ensure that mooring gang personnel are adequately trained for the task and are provided with all necessary equipment to conduct the task safely.

4. LINES BOATS

Line handling boats are not arranged by the mooring gang providers and must be arranged directly with the lines boat service provider.

5. REVIEW STATEMENT

This direction will be reviewed biennially by the Port Management Officer.

6. REFERENCE LEGISLATION

- Ports Management Act 2015 (NT)
- Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) 2011 Act (NT)

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APPENDIX 1 – MOORING GANG PERSONNEL NUMBERS

RIG TENDERS

VESSEL LOA	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
0.0 TO 40.0 metres	2	2
40.1 to 100.0 metres	4	2

OTHER VESSELS

VESSEL LOA	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
0.0 TO 40.0 metres	2	2
40.1 to 80.0 metres	4	2
80.1 to 120.0 metres	4	4
120.1 to 150.0 metres	6	4
150.1 + metres	6	4
Cruise vessel 150 + metres	+2	-
Lines launch used	+2	-
Wire mooring lines	+2	-